GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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AGREEMENT WITH CHINA FOR TEA TRADE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agreement has been reached between the Indian Tea Association (ITA) and China Tea Association Net (CTCN) for giving new dimension to bilateral trade; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a)&(b) : Yes Sir. Recognising the common objective to promote tea world-wide and with the belief that consumption of tea is healthy and beneficial, Indian Tea Association (ITA) with the support of Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) signed an agreement with a China Tea Corporation namely www.teanet.com.cn on 16.7.2001 in Beijing, China during the visit of ICC business delegation.The said agreement was in force for one year with effect from the date of signing and would be reviewed periodically on mutual convenience. The agreement aims at exploring avenues for joint promotion and marketing of Indian and Chinese tea globally , assist each other in marketing tea world wide, setting up of joint committee comprising of three members each from both the organizations to examine the modalities for joint operation and coordination and taking any other measures required to promote friendly economic cooperation between India and China particularly with respect to the tea sector.